

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Roy Bates	
Application No.: 09/931,921	
Filed: 8/20/2001	Group Art Unit: 2834
Title: ELECTRIC MOTOR MUFFLER	Examiner: Thanh Lam
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 25, 2003, please amend this application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 7, 8 and 12.